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INTERVERTEBRAL SPACE**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-8 and 13-24, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: